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1. AS ANTICIPATED REFTEL, FOREIGN MINISTER SVEN
ANDERSSON ANNOUNCED IN PARLIAMENT APRIL 15 THAT SWEDEN
HAS DECIDED TO ESTABLISH OFFICIAL RELATIONS WITH THE
GRUNK IN CAMBODIA. THE SWEDISH AMBASSADOR IN PEKING,
THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID, HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO
NOTIFY PRINCE SIHANOUK OF THE GOS DECISION. ANDERSSON
ADDED THAT THE GOS INTENDS TO ASK FOR AGREEMENT FOR
AN AMBASSADOR (K. BJORK) WHO WILL BE RESIDENT IN PEKING
IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

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2. AN ANNOUNCEMENT ISSUED BY THE MFA EXPLAINED THAT WHILE SWEDEN HAD NOT REGARDED EITHER THE LON NOL GOVERNMENT OR THE GRUNK AS REPRESENTING CAMBODIA, NEVERTHELESS THE GOS HAS MAINTAINED INFORMAL CONTACTS WITH THE EXILED PRINCE SIHANOUK THROUGH THE SWEDISH AMBASSADOR IN PEKING, WHO HAD EARLIER BEEN ACCREDITED ALSO TO PHNOM PENH.

3. WITH REGARD TO LEFTIST DEMANDS FOR THE RECOGNITION OF THE PRG, ANDERSSON REITERATED THE GOS POSITION THAT INASMUCH AS A GOVERNMENT HAS NOT BEEN FORMED IN SOTH VIETNAM IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENTS, THE GOS CAN NOT REPEAT NOT RECOGNIZE THE PRG. (STOCKHOLM 1655). THE FOREIGN MINISTER SAID THE GOS "URGENTLY REQUESTS THE PARTIES, AS SOON AS POSSIBLE TO CREATE THE CONDITIONS FOR A POLITICAL SOLUTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PARIS AGREEMENTS." HOWEVER, ANDERSSON LEFT OPEN THE POSSIBILITY OF A FUTURE CHANGE IN THE SWEDISH POSITION ON THE PRG BY CONCLUDING: "IF, DURING THE COURSE OF EVENTS, IT IS DEMONSTRATED THAT A POLITICAL SETTLEMENT IS IMPOSSIBLE, A NEW SITUATION WILL EMERGE. WE WILL BE FOLLOWING DEVELOPMENTS (IN VIETNAM)".

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